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REMARKS

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the Examiner's comments made during the personal interview conducted on February 24, 2006 at the Examiner's office. Applicant notes that this Amendment amends the claims based upon the discussion between the Examiner and Applicant's undersigned representative at the personal interview.

Claims 21-24 and 31-43 are all of the claims presently pending in the present Application. Claims 21, 38 and 42 have been amended to more particularly define the claimed invention. Claims 42-43 have been added to claim additional features of the invention.

It is noted that the claim amendments are made only for more particularly pointing out the invention, and not for distinguishing the invention over the prior art, narrowing the claims or for any statutory requirements of patentability. Further, Applicant specifically states that no amendment to any claim herein should be construed as a disclaimer of any interest in or right to an equivalent of any element or feature of the amended claim.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that claims 21-24 and 31-43, all the claims presently pending in the application, are patentably distinct over the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass the above application to issue at the earliest possible time.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that the foregoing was filed by facsimile with the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Examiner Michael Kornikov, Group Art Unit # 1746 at fax number (571) 273-8300 this 28th day of March, 2006.



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